



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: A PREFORM INLET ARRANGEMENT FOR AN OPTICAL FIBER DRAWING FURNACE, A FURNACE PROVIDED WITH THAT KIND OF INLET ARRANGEMENT, AND A PREFORM EQUIPPED TO CO-OPERATE WITH THAT INLET ARRANGEMENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification is changed as follows:

Page 1, after the title, insert the heading

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 2, after line 1 (according to the line numbering), insert the heading

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 3, after line 22, insert the heading

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 4, after line 1, insert the heading

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